

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for accepting the drawings filed on February 7, 2002.

Applicant also thanks the Examiner for acknowledging the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 and receipt of the certified copy of the priority document.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 5, 6, 29 and 30 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowed if written independent form. By this amendment, claim 1 has been amended to contain the limitations of claims 3, 4, and 5, thus rendering claim 1, as amended, allowable. The dependency of claims 6 and 7 have been changed to depend from allowable claim 1. Therefore, claims 1, 2 and 6-10 are now in condition for allowance. In regard to allowable claim 29, claim 26 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 29 and thus claim 26 is now in condition for allowance. The dependency of claim 30 has been changed to depend from allowable claim 26. Therefore, claims 26, 27, 28, 30 and 31 are now also in condition for allowance.

In order to obtain immediate allowance of the subject application and without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter of canceled claims, Applicant cancels claims 3-5, 11-25, and 32-50.

In that all claims presently in the application have been indicated to contain allowable subject matter by the Examiner, it is submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance and should be passed to issue at the earliest possible time.


If for any reason the Examiner finds this application other than in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Washington, D.C.

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telephone number, 202-293-7060 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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